

# BARNT GREEN PARISH COUNCIL

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## Co-option Supporting Information

There are no educational qualifications needed to become a parish councillor, however as the Parish Council is a statutory body, to stand validly nominated you must fulfil the following:

You must be:

- 18 years of age or over at the date of application;
- A Commonwealth citizen, a citizen of the Republic of Ireland or a citizen of another Member State of the European Community; and
- A local government elector within the parish; and/or
- Have worked in the parish for the last 12 months; and/or
- Have lived in the parish, or within 3 miles of it, for the last 12 months; and/or
- Owned land/property in the parish area for the last 12 months.

You cannot stand if you hold a paid office or any other position of profit with this Parish Council or if you are disqualified from being elected by reason of any disqualification set out below.

You cannot stand if you have been:

1. Surcharged by the District Auditor for £500 or more.
2. Disqualified by a court from holding public office.
3. Declared bankrupt at some point in your life.
4. Convicted of an offence where the sentence of imprisonment was more than 3 months (even if sentence suspended)
5. Found guilty of corrupt or illegal practices under Election Laws.

It is desirable for members to have an interest in and understanding of local affairs and the local community, with a willingness to represent the Council and its residents and the ability to communicate clearly and effectively. Members should be willing and able to work with the parish council's partners such as local charities and voluntary groups, other parish councils and principal authorities as well as with fellow members.

The Parish Council's Members' Code of Conduct, provided with this application form, relates to the standards required of members of the Council and includes an outline of the Ten General Principles of Public Life.

If your application to be co-opted is successful you will be required to complete the Members' Register of Interests. The completed forms are held by the Monitoring Officer at Bromsgrove District Council and are published on both the district and the parish councils' websites. A blank copy is provided with this application form.

As a councillor you will be expected to attend all scheduled meetings; the Parish Council meets 11 times per year and committees meet as scheduled, reporting to the full council. Basic councillor training will be available.

More information about the parish council can be found online at [www.barntgreen.org.uk](http://www.barntgreen.org.uk) For any further information please do not hesitate to contact the Executive Officer.

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## APPLICATION FOR CO-OPTION TO BARNT GREEN PARISH COUNCIL

Please complete this form and return to the office **with a covering letter detailing how your experience and skills will be of benefit to the Parish Council.**

You are deemed to have read and understood the attached "Co-option Supporting Information".

NAME : (Mr / Mrs / Other) .....

ADDRESS:.....

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e-mail address:.....

telephone: landline..... / mobile.....

### Qualifications (as provided in the Local Government Act 1972, s79):

You must:

- be at least 18 years old
- be a British citizen, an eligible Commonwealth citizen or a citizen of any member state of the European Union, and
- meet at least one of the following four qualifications:

**please tick as many as apply to you.**

1. You are, and will continue to be, registered as a local government elector for the parish/community in which you wish to stand from the day of your application onwards.
2. You have occupied as owner or tenant any land or other premises in the parish/community area during the whole of the 12 months before the day of your application.
3. Your main or only place of work during the 12 months prior to the day of your application has been in the parish/community area.
4. You have lived in the parish/community area or within three miles of it during the whole of the 12 months before the day of your application.

### Disqualifications

Please review the disqualifications listed in the Supporting Information.

Actively submitting this form means that you meet the above qualifications and, having read the list of disqualifications, you confirm you are suitably qualified to hold office as a parish councillor.

Signed ..... Date.....

Tick here to confirm you have included a covering letter detailing how your experience and skills will benefit the Parish Council.